

My wife Jackie and I came to know Frank Stroud as a doctor at the Spring Valley Pediatrics practice to which we take our daughters. But before Frank was one of our daughter's doctors, he was a friend.

My father said at the end of his life that he hadn't regretted a moment of his career in public life because no other calling gave him the opportunity to impact the lives of so many people.

He might have said otherwise had he met Frank Stroud.

Frank had a remarkable capacity for remembering every detail about you. His ability to make casual acquaintances feel like old childhood friends would have made Members of the Senate green with envy.

But public office wasn't his vocation. Nor was the seminary, which he contemplated entering. As his children say, Frank found a higher calling:

Helping children—which Frank did for nearly four decades, specializing in helping children struggling with learning disabilities such as attention-deficit disorder.

But politics was certainly never far from his mind—or his work. His wife Kandy, whom he loved dearly, worked for the Democratic National Committee.

As Terry McAuliffe once said, Frank became "the pediatrician for the Democrats," having treated Al Gore's children and Smith Bagley's, among others. And 40 years ago this year, Frank became medical director at the Office of Economic Opportunity which was, of course, at the very center of President Johnson's War on Poverty.

We all have unique experiences in our lives that shape the person we become. In Frank's case, one of those experiences was that he was raised by a single mother. One of his children said in his eulogy of his father words that are so poignant today:

"At a big party, he would make sure to dance with all the single ladies as though he knew what it felt like for his mother to sit along the edges of the dance floor."

Frank passed away a little over a month ago. At the time, he was doing what he always does: caring for someone other than himself—in this case, his beloved mother Lila, from whom his strength of character was surely handed down.

And so today, I wish to extend our thoughts and prayers to Kandy, their three children and the entire Stroud family, and quote the words in his obituary, which read:

The innocence of a child,  
The elegance of a Prince,  
And the generosity of a Saint,  
Frank Stroud was a majestic human being.

Indeed, he was. Frank will be missed. His memory will remain, his legacy will endure, for as long as the children he cared for grow into the healthy adults Frank always believed they could. And because of Frank Stroud, they most certainly will.●

## 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF KILI RADIO

● Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, today I celebrate the 25th anniversary of KILI Radio on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. For 25 years, this radio station has served as the Voice of the Lakota Nation. It serves as an important communications tool for members of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, some western residents of the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and the general listening public in a region that reaches as far as the sacred Black Hills.

At times throughout its history, this radio station has served as an important part of the Emergency Broadcast System, getting word to listeners of severe weather, fire, or other emergency situations on the horizon. It also serves as a vital tool to inform people about community meetings, educational opportunities, danger prevention activities, and others. KILI Radio also plays a crucial role in maintaining the Lakota language on the reservation, with its DJs and other programming hosts often speaking in Lakota or with Lakota-speaking guests. The station's coverage of sporting events is exceptionally popular with KILI listeners and is one of the station's top-ranked areas of programming.

Perched atop Porcupine Butte, KILI Radio plays an integral part of life on the Pine Ridge Reservation. Without its existence, lives may have been lost to emergency situations it reported over the airwaves. Lakota language preservation efforts would also have languished. I applaud KILI Radio for working tirelessly to preserve the Lakota language and culture while also promoting, educating, and entertaining listeners with the good news of Lakota youth, elders, and entrepreneurs. Whether it is coverage of basketball tournaments, conferences on issues of importance to the Lakota people or holding politicians' feet to the fire, KILI Radio is a way of life for the Pine Ridge community. I wish to commend the efforts of all of KILI Radio's staff and volunteers I especially want to congratulate Tom Casey on 23 years of service to the radio station. He serves both as a radio voice, and a man behind the scenes to ensure KILI's survival.

I would also like to recognize the efforts of those who came together with the vision for the wind turbine that was erected earlier this month. On a practical level, the turbine will generate energy to power the radio station and its electrical needs. One cannot overlook the symbolism however, to imagine KILI Radio again operating off the grid, and on its own terms. Congratulations, KILI Radio on your silver anniversary and thank you for all that you have done and all that you continue to do.●

## TRIBUTE TO BRIGADIER GENERAL JOHN W. PEABODY

● Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, BG John W. Peabody has served as com-

mander and division engineer for the Pacific Ocean Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers since July, 2005.

I relied on General Peabody to help resolve the crisis of coastal erosion in my State of Alaska.

He was instrumental in developing a partnership between State, Federal and local agencies dedicated to helping our communities deal with the effects of coastal erosion.

Under his leadership and commitment our Army Engineer District, Far East, has begun the Korea relocation program, moving our forces and their families to new, state-of-the-art facilities south of Seoul.

In Japan, General Peabody directed the largest military construction program in the history of our Corps of Engineers. USAED, Japan completed over 500 projects, greatly enhancing our operational readiness level and significantly improving the quality of life for our service men and women and their families living in that country.

Brigadier General Peabody oversaw the construction of the Stryker Brigade stationing facilities at Schofield Barracks, HI. Those new facilities allow our soldiers to train for contingencies throughout the Pacific region and around the world.

Brigadier General Peabody's professionalism, caring leadership, and devotion are in keeping with the proudest traditions of our military, and reflect great credit upon himself, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, and the U.S. Army.●

## TRIBUTE TO GRAHAM NEWELL

● Mr. SANDERS. Mr. President, the State of Vermont has lost one of its greatest teachers, Graham Newell. I wish to honor this remarkable man, an important figure in our State's history in government as well as throughout its system of education.

A seventh generation Vermonter who grew up in the Northeast Kingdom of Vermont, Newell returned to Vermont to teach after earning his degree in classics from the University of Chicago. For eight decades he was the quintessential educator, beginning and ending at his beloved St. Johnsbury Academy and teaching history and social sciences to college students for many years as well, serving as a professor and chair of the Social Sciences Department at Lyndon State College.

Graham Newell was a man who so highly regarded the field of education that he entered politics to be its champion in the State legislature. First elected to the Vermont House in 1953, and later elected to the Vermont Senate, he served as the chairman of both the House and Senate Education Committees. Throughout his tenure in the legislature in Montpelier, Graham Newell worked tirelessly to ensure educational opportunities for students with disabilities. Indeed, Vermont's special education bill preceded comparable legislation on the Federal level